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Subject: FW: a CMS is coming your way from Nina Bell Re: Petition for Rulemaking on Water Quality Criteria for Toxics in the State of Washington

FYI that we are due to respond to Nina’s petition by 3/3 (signed at the DD level)

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This is her Second Follow Up to October 28, 2013 Northwest Environmental Advocates' Petition on this subject.

Northwest Environmental Advocates sent a petition to update the State of Washington's aquatic life criteria in its water quality standards on October 28, 2013. We did not respond.

On August 31, 2015 they sent a follow-up letter urging us to respond. We wrote thanking them for our "valuable input" on the matter but provided no info on when/if we intend to respond to the petition.

This new letter points out minor errors in the original petition and that EPA cannot rely upon the state to do what it should and how inexcusable it is that EPA has not taken any steps to bring WA's water quality standards for toxics up to date. And once again, they urge us to grant the petition.

The due date for the response is March 3 and it is a Direct Reply meaning the DD will sign it.